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TITLE OF INVENTION <b>PRODUCTION METHOD AND PRODUCTION SYSTEM FOR HOT ROLLED STRIP</b>		
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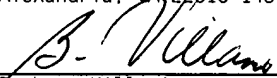
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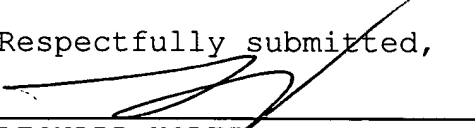
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